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# Arkansas Weekly Broiler Report

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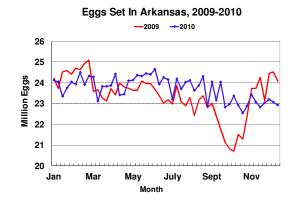
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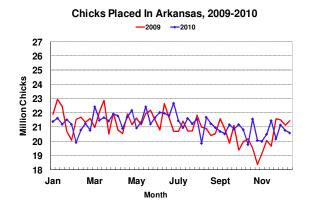
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#### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.6 million during the week ending December 25, 2010. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 22.9 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 25, 2010, down 5 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, November 27, 2010 - December 25, 2010

State	Eggs Set  Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending				
		1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks			
Alabama	30,049	29,542	29,788	29,994	29,752	19,051	19,825	20,107	21,107	21,086
Arkansas	22,822	23,033	23,197	23,072	22,926	21,461	20,162	21,159	20,771	20,587
Delaware	4,216	4,150	4,181	4,090	4,170	5,116	4,967	5,663	4,452	4,414
Florida	1,359	1,360	1,310	1,236	1,360	1,334	1,219	1,207	1,183	1,359
Georgia	33,041	33,477	33,031	33,461	32,839	26,705	27,178	27,160	27,692	27,022
Kentucky	7,706	7,250	7,625	7,128	7,585	5,804	5,981	6,624	6,355	5,815
Louisiana	3,395	3,395	3,364	3,425	3,410	2,906	3,057	3,022	3,012	2,980
Maryland	7,276	7,291	7,661	7,653	7,616	5,450	6,364	5,145	7,653	6,430
Mississippi	18,675	18,584	18,727	17,903	18,803	15,936	15,713	16,160	16,301	16,200
N. Carolina	20,311	19,609	19,874	19,933	20,044	16,274	15,476	15,943	16,236	15,677
Oklahoma	6,463	6,211	6,307	6,437	6,475	3,514	4,975	3,310	4,543	4,533
Pennsylvania	3,876	3,959	4,050	4,044	3,937	3,151	3,081	3,180	3,152	3,234
S. Carolina	5,726	5,432	5,587	5,585	5,608	4,496	4,599	4,656	4,117	4,949
Texas	16,523	15,272	15,698	15,745	15,619	12,651	13,339	13,588	14,021	13,062
Virginia	5,934	5,943	5,951	5,655	5,543	4,970	4,376	5,249	4,355	4,572
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,504	18,625	19,025	18,885	18,750	16,069	17,955	16,875	15,731	16,332
19 State Total	206,876	203,133	205,376	204,246	204,437	164,888	168,267	169,048	170,681	168,252
Prev. Year Total	202,644	201,274	205,271	204,677	203,723	158,544	166,323	167,012	168,345	167,108
% of Prev. Year	102	101	100	100	100	104	101	101	101	101

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

### **Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up Slightly**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 25, 2010. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 1 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 25, 2010. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through December 25, 2010 were 8.63 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.